

**WEATHER FORECAST.**  
Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday:  
Virginia—Partly cloudy Wednesday, warmer in extreme southeast portion; Thursday partly cloudy; light to fresh south to southwest winds.



**RANGE OF THERMOMETER.**  
The thermometer at The Times office ranged as follows yesterday: 9 A. M., 24; 11 A. M., 30; 2 P. M., 33; 6 P. M., 32; 9 P. M., 30; 12 midnight, 24. Average, 29.5-6.

# GOV. SPOTSWOOD TAKES FIRST PRIZE

## Major Purcell's Pointer Captures all Age Stakes.

### RICHMOND DOG SECOND

#### Col. W. Miles Cary's Bena Pushes Victor Close for First Place.

#### THE EVENT A GREAT SUCCESS

All Are Enthusiastic Over the inaugural and Experts Predict Great Future for State Association—Party Will To-Day Have Deer Drive and Fox Hunt.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.)  
CHASE CITY, VA., Dec. 9.—The Virginia hunt trials held here yesterday and today closed this afternoon with the running of the all age stake, in which were entered twelve of the highest class hunting dogs in the State, who did noble work for their masters and afforded the party of thirty-five sportsmen following the course a day of genuine pleasure. From the six pair starting the judges called three brace out a second time before the decisions were reached, and it was not until these had been run over a wide stretch of country that the awards were finally made. The winners were: Major J. R. Purcell's Governor Spotswood, black and tan pointer dog, by Old Chart, first; Colonel W. Miles Cary's Bena, black, white and tan setter bitch, by Guy Bona, second; Mr. L. P. Williams' Bona, black and tan pointer dog, by Guy Bona, third; Mr. T. S. Barker's Dick Black, black and white setter dog, not registered, fourth.

The honor of first place was closely contested by Governor Spotswood and Bena, the beautiful little black pointer, by Colonel Cary, of Richmond. Bena gave the stellar performance of the day, winning completely the hearts of the sportsmen. It was the more remarkable because of the fact that she was a pointer and showing possibly greater speed, though Bena was certainly the most thoroughly broken dog and was stronger on her hind work. During her trial she rounded up a brace of quail, losing it as well from the first scent, and pointing with a style and staunchness that would have given her a place in any stake in the country. Colonel Cary handled Bena as a game, affectionate and obedient dog, and she was not in America to beat this splendid sportsman and Virginia gentleman.

#### SPLENDID SPECIMEN

Governor Spotswood, the prize winning pointer, the property of Major Purcell, recently made a famous kill by being entered on the shoulders of the crowd at the New York Horse Show. It is a superb specimen, an incessant worker and on his only convey pointed in a picturesque grand stand form in an open stubble before more than thirty-thousand people, who walked around the globe and entered the hands of the judges. Major Purcell was given the shot and bagged one on the rise. The crowd cheered the veteran sportsman, who is certainly sixty-five years old, but still a hard rider, crack shot and will accept a challenge on the hunt. It was nearly 5 o'clock before the party left the hotel headed like a cavalcade through the village over the hard frozen roads, and arrived at the starting point some twenty minutes before the dogs were entered. In the meantime a great fire broke out in the building, and around this the party gathered, blowing breath on benumbed fingers and stamping the circulation back into cold limbs, for the frost was keen in the morning air.

#### HUNTING BEGINS

Governor Spotswood and Bona Tony were the first brace put down. The pointer readily outpaced the Derby winner, and was predicted as one of the first. R. A. Croxton's Captain Tony, Dr. L. S. Mason's Flash, and the second, Dr. L. S. Mason's Flash, were good form. Just before the start, however, the pointer was put up by Mr. Croxton's dog, and he was not characterized by dash and he was retired for the day.

In the next pair, Bena, the little setter, made her debut in the little trial, having as a running mate J. C. Tinner's Red T. Before the party had ridden fifty yards, the pointer hand of Colonel Cary shot into the air, and he claimed his first point for Bena. Red T. did not show proper confidence in the pointer, and he turned back to back, and lady's judgment, so rushed to back, and the pointer was put up by the pointer. In the edge of the woods, some distance down in the heart of a fearful jungle, Bena made her second point in splendid style, and on the follow made two pretty singles. Red T. showed little work.

Mr. Wasker's little Bob White and Major Purcell's Acid showed good energy, but failed to find birds. The trials of these brought the party to the dinner hour, and lunch was spread in the field. In the afternoon, the party went to the fox hunt, and the fox was killed by the pointer. The fox was killed by the pointer, and the fox was killed by the pointer.

## \$100,000 TO BUY COAL FOR POOR

### New York to Take Heroic Steps to Relieve the Sufferings of the Poor.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
NEW YORK, December 9.—With the coming of the cold wave that has fallen over the East like an ice pack, coal has mounted the ladder of prices until to-day conditions are far worse than at any time during the scarcity that characterized the winter of 1901-2.

The Board of Aldermen today unanimously adopted a resolution passed by Mr. McCall, requesting the Board of Estimate to expend \$100,000 to purchase coal for the poor.

If this is done the money so appropriated will do an enormous amount of good. One hundred thousand dollars will buy 20,000 tons, and 20,000 tons will furnish 2,000,000 pounds.

The resolution requests that the money be expended under the supervision of the City Comptroller.

The actual distribution, however, will probably be placed in the hands of the Commissioner of Charities.

## Salesman From Norfolk Dies in Knoxville.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
KNOXVILLE, TENN., December 9.—D. G. Alexander, who was stabbed last week by a girl, now known to be Lolla Baker, of New Orleans, died today.

Alexander was without friends or assistance, and little is known of him beyond that he was registered at a local hotel as from Norfolk.

He was a cultured, refined traveling man. His remains will not be interred until to-morrow, in hopes his relatives will be heard from.

## SAFE INPORT, BUT MUCH DISABLED

### Rough Voyage of a Schooner Loaded With Cocoanuts for the Christmas Trade.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., December 9.—The British schooner Emma, Captain Barclay, entered to-day in a disabled condition, after having one of the roughest voyages on the coast that a crew ever lived to tell the tale for many a day. The schooner was loaded with two thousand cocoanuts, and the crew was much disabled.

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## KANSAS HUSBAND CAN BE HAD FOR A QUARTER

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
TULSA, KAN., December 9.—Kansas offers a fine opportunity for some woman to secure a good husband for the small price of two dimes and a half. Charles Hardwick, of Woodville, Stevens county, is an eccentric farmer, who would like to get married, and he has offered to give twenty-five cents a ticket for the State a chance to draw him and his farm in a lottery.

## "BUTCHER" TOBIN MADE ATTACK UPON ATTORNEY

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—"Butcher" Tobin, who is on trial for a murder of Captain James J. Tobin, made a scene in court today. He tried to jump across the table at Assistant District Attorney Clarke, and it took six men to keep the frenzied man from attacking the prosecutor.

## PRIEST DROPPED DEAD AT ALTAR

### Rev. Father McLaughlin Suddenly Expired While Conducting Mass.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
NEW YORK, December 9.—While conducting mass in his church at New Rochelle this morning, Rev. Father Thomas McLaughlin expired suddenly of heart disease. As he was tottering and about to fall, his assistant priests rushed to help him caught him in their arms.

The clergyman did not complain of feeling ill when he began his mass, and appeared as hale and hearty this morning when he started to conduct Mass. When the buildings on the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery grounds were destroyed by fire last week Father McLaughlin was on the spot actively directing and assisting firemen.

His death is greatly regretted by all residents, as he was popular with all Church people of all denominations held him in the highest respect, and he was generally beloved.

## LEFT THE THEATRE FOR THE MARRIAGE ALTAR

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
NEW YORK, December 9.—Miss Edith Burrows, of Brooklyn, who is soon to inherit \$200,000 from her father's estate, was married to Thomas Fudge, a young chemist, under romantic circumstances.

They went to a theatre in Brooklyn, but as all the seats were sold and they were not permitted to stand in the aisles, the young couple went over to Bayonne, N. J., and were married by Rev. Walter J. Barker.

## BOARD AUTHORIZES THE ISSUE OF BONDS

### Prospect for Clear Water Grows Brighter.

### BE NO EARLY CLOSING

### Minor Resolution Tabled and the Sentiment Apparently Against it

### WILL HAVE AN INVESTIGATION

The Board Having Dispaired of the Help of the Law Branch Decides to Investigate Itself—Other Matters of Importance Discussed of During Long Session.

After a session of four hours last night the Board of Aldermen had concurred in the action of the Common Council in voting an issue of \$400,000 in bonds with which to erect settling and consulting basins to provide the city with clear water, and construct a stand pipe in the Lee District to increase the pressure in that section; tabled the ordinance of Alderman John B. Minor, favorably reported upon by the Committee on Ordinances, Charter and Reform, requiring the closing of saloons between the hours of 12:30 and 5:30 A. M.; passed a resolution offered by Alderman Allen, the purpose of which is to investigate the present and former members of the Board; adopted a resolution appointing a committee to confer with the City Attorney and report at their next regular meeting as to the eligibility of Mr. M. Fill Sney to retain his seat in the body, and concurred in or killed matters of more or less importance from the Common Council.

The meeting of the higher branch of the City Council last night was not an idle one, there being something doing from the time President Turpin called the session to order with a rap of his gavel until Alderman Wood moved to adjourn, four hours later. At least two surprises were given in the meeting—the practical annihilation of the early closing proposition and the determination of the Board to hold an investigation of the Board.

But these surprises sink into insignificance when compared with the action of the Board, which was unanimous in concurring in the action of the lower body in voting an issue of bonds to insure the erection of a plant, which, it is claimed, will give the people of Richmond pure, clear, bright, sparkling and wholesome drinking water.

Investigation will cover much refusing, and immediately after Mayor Taylor affixed his seal of approval upon the ordinance, the Committee on Finance will perfect arrangements for the sale of the bonds, and then the entire matter will

## FOUR KILLED; TEN INJURED

### Fatal Result of the Explosion of a Mine Near Wilkesboro.

(By Associated Press.)  
WILKESBORO, PA., Dec. 9.—Four men were killed and ten injured, three probably fatally, by the explosion of a box of dynamite in No. 5 mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesboro Coal Company at South Wilkesboro to-day.

The names of the killed are: ROBERT HUBBARD, carpenter, aged fifty-five years, married; ARTHUR JONES, company hand, aged twenty-eight, single; MATTHEW PHILLIPS, miner, aged thirty-six, married; JAMES MCGLYNN, laborer, aged thirty-five, married.

The fatally injured are: GEORGE KNORR, CHARLES STAFFORD, THOMAS EVANS.

The others most seriously injured are: Neil Sweeney, John Rustin, Dominick Hart and James Becken.

The men had lowered into the shaft, which is 115 feet deep, a box of dynamite, weighing sixty pounds. When the bottom of the shaft was reached Phillips took the box off the surface. It slipped from his hands and fell to the ground. The concussion exploded the dynamite, and the twenty men who were in the immediate vicinity getting their tools in readiness to go to work, respectively chambers were hurled in all directions. The woodwork at the bottom of the shaft was also torn and scattered about.

As soon as possible word was sent to the surface and a rescue party was sent down.

The mine has the reputation of being the most gaseous in the entire region, and at first it was reported that the gas had exploded and that a score of miners had been killed outright. Fortunately, however, the gas did not explode.

The dead and injured were brought to the surface as soon as possible. Phillips was mangled almost beyond recognition. McGlynn had his arms torn off. The injured were wrapped in blankets and sent to their homes.

Superintendent Morgan was early on the scene and every effort possible was made to alleviate the suffering of the injured. The accident caused the big railway to suspend operations for the day.

## The Funeral Services Over Reed's Remains

(By Associated Press.)  
PORTLAND, ME., December 9.—Simple but impressive services, consisting of music, Scripture reading, prayer and a brief eulogy, were held over the remains of former Speaker Thomas Brackett Reed at the First Parish Unitarian Church, in this city, to-day. The office was thronged with a distinguished assemblage, which included the Governors of Maine and Massachusetts, the Loyal Legion, several Grand Army posts, members of the bar, city officials and delegates from nearly every political organization in the State of Maine.

## CAMPBELL CASE TO BE TAKEN UP

### The Investigation to Be Pressed. Testimony May Be Taken in Amherst.

The action of the House in the Campbell-Crawford cowhiding case yesterday was full of interest, and some developments are expected in a few days which will be even more so. Chairman Southall, of the Courts of Justice Committee, said last night that at his committee meeting this afternoon he anticipated the appointment of a special committee of five to take up the case, and that he proposed it to a conclusion before the Christmas holidays. Mr. Southall says that his idea is that the committee should go at once to Amherst, Courthouse and proceed with the investigation there, as it would be both convenient and expedient to have the numerous witnesses on both sides to come to this city.

There are a great number of witnesses for both Judge Campbell and Mr. Crawford, and some special times are expected when the case will be taken up. It is understood that both sides will have counsel, and it is conjectured that Messrs. Payne and Christian, who defended Judge Campbell before the County Court of Amherst, will appear for him before the legislative committee. It has not yet been fully determined what will be the mode of procedure, but so far as the matter has progressed it looks as if the investigation will be held under the section providing for the removal of judges. Hon. R. G. Southall, who is the very able chairman of the Courts Committee, will likely be chairman of the subcommittee on investigation.

## REWARD IS GIVEN TO A WOMAN LIFE-SAVER

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 9.—A gold watch has been given to Nora Barlow, employed at Girard College for having saved the life of a student on October 21st. The award was made by the Board of City Trustees.

During a somnambulistic walk, William H. Barlow, an elderly citizen, from his bedroom at the college to the fire-escape and made his way along the ledge of the mansard roof surmounting a dormitory to a bay window, 35 feet above the pavement. There he lowered himself, and while clinging to the ledge he awoke.

The lady, who had been thinking of Miss Barlow, heard him. She climbed up to him, held with one hand to the roof, and with the other caught the boy under the arms and dragged him to safety.

## HOWITZERS WILL HAVE BANQUET

The Richmond Howitzers held a very largely-attended drill last night at their armory on North Eighth Street. One new member was elected to the company, and overtures issued to all the members. The Howitzers were ordered to assemble at the armory Saturday night at 7:30 to march in a body with the Howitzer Association to Murphy's Hotel. The event will be the twenty-seventh annual banquet and reunion of the Association.

## NORFOLK CONTEST BEING ARGUED

### Point Raised as to Jurisdiction Overruled—Mr. Mallet Speaks.

The contest for seats in the House of Delegates from Norfolk city was gone into before the Privileges and Elections Committee yesterday afternoon, and the argument will be continued this morning at 10 o'clock. The committee met at 10 o'clock and got down to business at once. Messrs. R. W. Mallet and J. E. Heath, Jr., were present as counsel for Messrs. Lambeth and Bibb, the contestants, while Messrs. Whithead and Woodward are being looked after by Messrs. George Fisher and T. J. Randolph.

Mr. Fisher raised the point that inasmuch as the Legislature adjourned nine days last spring before the papers were filed, the committee had no jurisdiction. Mr. Mallet resisted this contention, and it was overruled by the committee.

Each side was then given four hours, and Mr. Mallet proceeded at once with his opening speech for the contestants. He contended that his clients were regularly nominated by the Democrats of Norfolk, and that but for the padding of the vote at the general election in the forests of the contest, the former would now be the sitting members. The speech of Mr. Mallet was a strong one from his point of view, and he was exceptionally courteous to those on the opposite side of the contest.

The committee rose at 7 o'clock, and will reconvene at 10 o'clock this morning, when Mr. Mallet will conclude his argument. Messrs. Pileher and Randolph will follow for the sitting members, and the case will be closed by Mr. Heath. Each side seems confident of victory. The decision will not be reached before this afternoon.

# WAS GREAT VICTORY FOR WHITE SQUADRON

## PAYS TRIBUTE TO CONFEDERATES

### President Roosevelt Makes a Characteristic Speech.

### BANQUET TO JUSTICE HARLAN

### It Was a Notable Event in Washington Last Night—A Great Gathering of Statesmen and Jurists—Some Who Were There.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The dinner by the bar of the Supreme Court, the United States at New Willard Hotel, last night to Justice John Marshall Harlan, in recognition of the completion of twenty-five years of service on the bench of the Supreme Court was a brilliant function.

In the absence of Attorney-General Knox, Wayne MacVeagh presided. When the guests had been seated, grace was said by Rev. Richard D. Harlan, of Lake Falls, Ill., eldest son of the Justice, who had come to Washington specially for the occasion. Justice Harlan was in his happiest mood and gave every evidence of his appreciation of the honor bestowed on him. His two other sons, James S. Harlan, chief justice of Porto Rico, and John Maynard Harlan, of Chicago, also were present, while Mrs. and Miss Harlan and a host of friends were interested spectators in the gallery.

Interest in the banquet outside of Justice Harlan centered in President Roosevelt. His arrival shortly after 8 o'clock was the signal for a great outburst of applause. The President warmly commended Justice Harlan, grasping him by both hands before taking his seat.

When the time for speech-making arrived, Wayne MacVeagh, in a few appropriate remarks introduced the President, who said:

"Mr. Justice Harlan has served for a quarter of a century on that court. During that time he has exercised an influence over the judicial branch of the government of this country such as is possible only under our own form of government (applause). For the judges of the Supreme Court of the land must be not only great jurists, but they must be great constructive statesmen (applause), and the truth of what I say is shown by every student of American statesmanship, for in not one serious study of America's political life will it be possible to omit the influence played by the Supreme Court in the creation, not merely the modification of the great policies, through and by means of which the country has moved on to her present position (applause)."

"Trice fortunate is the court when it has as one of its members a man who has played a great part in other spheres of our composite life. Mr. Justice Harlan came from Kentucky, a State in which the patriotism of the people was put to a good test in the Civil War. He is an American, who was a staunch friend of yours, and one of the greatest lawyers and most patriotic citizens whom this country had—John Mison Brown, who he came back from a trip from the West as a young man of twenty-one, just at the time of the outbreak of the Civil War, just after Sumter had been fired upon, and his mother brought down to him the sword that his father had carried in the Mexican War and said to him: 'My son, this is the sword your father carried. I hope you will draw it in a test of the human race, for which your father fought, but for one side or the other, draw it you must open your eyes.'"

"In any audience in any State of the Union, take it as far north as you wish, I can appeal with confidence to the people I address when I say the fact is undeniable that there was clear weather throughout the run. An especially careful watch was kept December 7th, when four vessels were due north of Cuba Island, which Admiral Sumner supposed to be the center of the north and south line of the blue scouts. In order to avoid these scouts Admiral Sumner kept over 200 miles away from the land. On December 8th the Iowa, Albany, Illinois and Chicago ran parallel with the shore of Porto Rico, and directly north of the Mona Passage, when they turned to the south, with the intention of making Santo Domingo, sailing along the shore of that island and making a dash across the Mona Passage under forced draught to Mayaguez."

"While at Trinidad Admiral Sumner found that Admiral Crowsfield, commanding the European squadron, with which the South Atlantic squadron combined, had prepared a plan of procedure similar to his own. Having ascertained that the Nashville, Atlanta, San Francisco and Eagle were slow, Admiral Crowsfield suggested that upon the arrival of the squadron within the curve these vessels be detached and ordered to proceed deployed as scouts, by the nearest course to a point one hundred miles south of the eastern end of Porto Rico, and then north to a point twenty miles southeast of Ponce, in order to deceive the enemy as to the whereabouts and intention of the remainder of the squadron."

## NO LIGHTS SHOWN

The white squadron sailed from Trinidad the morning of December 5th. The Iowa, Albany, Illinois and Chicago, forming an inviolable column, left the remainder of the squadron and steamed at the rate of twelve knots an hour to latitude 15° longitude 52°W, which point they reached at 6 o'clock, after a run of December 6th. The four vessels then steamed north in line with the islands. The greatest care was exercised to prevent discovery. No lights were shown and only small red and blue flags were used. The flag officers on their night signaling by whistles and the sound of the gong. There was clear weather throughout the run. An especially careful watch was kept December 7th, when four vessels were due north of Cuba Island, which Admiral Sumner supposed to be the center of the north and south line of the blue scouts. In order to avoid these scouts Admiral Sumner kept over 200 miles away from the land. On December 8th the Iowa, Albany, Illinois and Chicago ran parallel with the shore of Porto Rico, and directly north of the Mona Passage, when they turned to the south, with the intention of making Santo Domingo, sailing along the shore of that island and making a dash across the Mona Passage under forced draught to Mayaguez."

## FALL IN SILVER; CREDIT CUT DOWN

### Wholesale Merchants in Mexico Are at Last Forced to Take This Step.

(By Associated Press.)  
MEXICO CITY, December 9.—The wholesale merchants have met here, and on account of the great depression in silver and the continual fluctuations in exchange, they have resolved to cut down the term of credit given to retail dealers from six to four months. It is understood that the retail houses will also in turn reduce the term of credit to their customers.

A company organized in the United States, with \$12,000,000 gold capital, has applied to the Federal government for a concession to utilize certain great waterfalls in the State of Puebla for generating electric power. It is proposed to transmit this power to various points. The estimate has been put at the fall is eighty thousand. It is probable that most of this power will be utilized in this city, and that the City Council will be asked for an authorization of the project.